



Town of Southern Shores

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Resolution 2012-10-03

Whereas the Town of Southern Shores in Dare County is bisected by North Carolina Highway 12 which is the only route currently available for motor vehicles traveling to and from the Currituck County Outer Banks; and

Whereas the Town of Southern Shores (as evidenced by the attached resolutions previously adopted) has continued to support the efforts of the State of North Carolina, particularly the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, and the North Carolina Turnpike Authority, to plan, fund, and construct a motor vehicle bridge over the Currituck Sound from mainland Currituck County to the Currituck County Outer Banks; and

Whereas the existence of a vehicle bridge over the Currituck Sound connecting the Currituck County Outer Banks to the Currituck County mainland will provide a safer route for transiting motor vehicle traffic and a more efficient route for motor vehicles providing services to citizens and emergency evacuations from the Currituck County Outer Banks;

Now Therefore be it resolved that as a communication to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee of the North Carolina General Assembly, the Town of Southern Shores, by and through its Town Council duly elected by its citizens, does respectfully urge the legislative members of the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee in making findings and recommendations to the House and Senate of the 2013 General Assembly to recommend continued funding of gap fund appropriations necessary for the Mid-Currituck Bridge Project and continued support of all other resources necessary for the completion of this project.

This the 2nd day of October, 2012.


Mayor


Attest: Town Clerk

(Seal)





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Resolution 2011-04-03

**TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING GAP FUNDING FOR THE
MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE**

WHEREAS, the Town of Southern Shores recognizes that a bridge across the Currituck Sound from the mainland of Currituck County to Corolla is vitally important to the economic growth and general well being of the State of North Carolina by providing an undeniably better, safer access for residents, vacationers and business travelers to the Northern Outer Banks; and,

WHEREAS, the Town of Southern Shores has and does support efforts to protect the State's natural and cultural resources while moving forward with the construction of the Mid-Currituck Bridge in an expeditious manner; and,

WHEREAS, the last two State of North Carolina budgets authorized and implemented "Gap Funding" in support of the Mid-Currituck Bridge through the NC Department of Transportation funding without which the project's feasibility would be in serious peril and cause immediate delays; and,

WHEREAS, any reallocation of the necessary "Gap Funding" for the Mid-Currituck Bridge, would delay progress on this most critical public safety and economic development infrastructure project for one of North Carolina's most prized tourist destinations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town Council of the Town of Southern Shores, NC respectfully requests the North Carolina General Assembly to continue with the appropriation of necessary "Gap Funding" for the Mid-Currituck Bridge which has been authorized and included in the last two North Carolina Budgets.

ADOPTED this the 5th day of April, 2011

ATTEST:


Carmel Gordon
Town Clerk


MAYOR



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Resolution 2010-05-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL APPROVING THE NORTH CAROLINA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY ALTERNATIVE MCB4 AS THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE ACCEPTABLE TO THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES AND REJECTING ANY FUTURE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALTERNATIVE MCB2'S FUTURE PLAN FOR ADDRESSING STORM WATER ISSUES ON NC 12 IN SOUTHERN SHORES

WHEREAS, the Town of Southern Shores is a quiet, residential community maintaining a commitment to preserve the unique natural environment, and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Turnpike Authority (NCTA) Mid-Currituck Bridge Study Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) of March 2010 proposes as the recommended alternative for construction of the Mid-Currituck Bridge to be Alternative MCB4, and

WHEREAS, this Alternative MCB4 does not recommend any alterations to NC 12 through the Town of Southern Shores,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council is in total support of Alternative MCB4 as the only acceptable bridge construction alternative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council recognizes that NC 12 storm water drainage problems need to be addressed, but the Southern Shores Town Council opposes the plan proposed in Alternative MCB2 as a future means for remediating the storm water drainage issues, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Southern Shores Town Council will work with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) to develop an acceptable means of addressing storm water drainage on NC 12.

Adopted this 2 day of May 2010.



 Mayor

 Town Clerk



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Resolution #2008-03-03

RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF A MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE AND OPPOSITION TO WIDENING NC 12

Whereas, the Town of Southern Shores has long-supported the construction of the Mid-Currituck Sound Bridge; and,

Whereas, the Mid-Currituck Sound Bridge was originally one of the projects that was to be funded wholly or in part by a toll used to pay for construction expenses of the Bridge and to later maintain the Bridge; and,


Whereas, the traffic congestion in Currituck and Dare counties caused by the lack of a Bridge is severely damaging the quality of life for communities in both counties; and,

Whereas, construction of a Mid-Currituck Bridge would most significantly lessen this traffic in the above mentioned counties, save energy resources consumed by traffic gridlock, and provide an alternative route for both safety and hurricane evacuation.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, the Southern Shores Town Council supports construction of the Mid-Currituck Sound Bridge and supports financing of the Bridge through imposition of a toll.

Be it Further Resolved, that the Southern Shores Town Council is strongly opposed to widening of NC 12 through the Town of Southern Shores because it would destroy both the environment and character of our town.

Approved this 4th day of March 2008.


Don Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:



Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk



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Resolution 02-09-016

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES IN SUPPORT OF A MID-CURRITUCK BRIDGE AND OPPOSITION TO WIDENING NC 12

WHEREAS, the Currituck County beaches have become extremely popular and the traffic load heading there through mainland Currituck County, the NC 12 and US 158 intersection, the Towns of Kitty Hawk, Southern Shores and Duck continues to rapidly increase; and

WHEREAS, there is only one current access corridor to these beaches as described above;

WHEREAS, the current traffic counts taken by the NC Department of Transportation in 2001 indicate that the vast majority of the traffic load (70% on a summer weekend, 60% on a summer weekday and 66% on a non Summer weekday) using this route have a destination in the Currituck County Outer Banks; and

WHEREAS, construction of a Mid-Currituck Bridge would most significantly lessen this traffic load on the aforementioned roads, alleviate the current traffic back-up, save energy resources now consumed by traffic gridlock and provide an alternative route for both safety and hurricane evacuation; and

WHEREAS, the current DOT Currituck Sound Area Transportation Study (TIP Project R-2576) is examining alternatives to alleviate the current problem; and

WHEREAS, the focus of the current study effort is not directed at alleviating the current and growing problem primarily through the construction of the Mid-Currituck Bridge; and

WHEREAS, some focus has been placed upon widening NC 12 through the towns of Southern Shores and Duck to solve traffic problems with attendant destruction of the environment and character of both towns.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Southern Shores Town Council once again reiterates that the construction of the Mid-Currituck Bridge as soon as possible is imperative for traffic, safety and public service reasons. Construction in 2009 as is presently planned is unacceptable.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Southern Shores Council is strongly opposed to widening of NC 12 through the town of Southern Shores because it would destroy both the environment and character of our town.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Secretary of Transportation, Lyndo Tippet, Senator Marc Basnight, Representative Bill Culpepper and Commissioner Stan White, Board of Transportation Member.

Adopted this the 3rd day of September 2002.

ATTEST:

Carrie Gordon
Town Clerk

Paul Sutcliff
Mayor



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Resolution 00.04-08

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHERN SHORES IN SUPPORT OF A MID-CURRITUCK SOUND BRIDGE

WHEREAS, the construction of a Mid-Currituck Sound Bridge between Mainland Currituck County and the Northern Outer Banks has been studied and discussed for many years as to need an appropriateness; and

WHEREAS, the increasing pace of construction and the growing density of completed homes on the northern end of the Outer Banks in Currituck County accentuate the need for such a northern bridge connection to the mainland; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned residential construction strains our resources as it brings an ever increasing tide of Northern Outer Banks traffic through Dare County to and from the Wright Memorial Bridge crossing; and

WHEREAS, the lack of a northern bridge connection to the mainland severely hampers the ability of Currituck County to provide various types of emergency and educational services in a timely and cost effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the only emergency evacuation route from the beaches of Currituck County is NC Route 12 which not only poses a serious safety problem for the residents and vacationers in that area but is also a complicating factor in an emergency evacuation of Dare County and the affected Towns in Dare County; and

WHEREAS, previously ordered evacuations have caused delays of up to four (4) hours to depart the northern beaches of Currituck County because there is only one way out.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Town Council of the Town of Southern Shores strongly urges the State of North Carolina, through the Department of Transportation, to move forward as rapidly as possible and with high priority, for the planning and construction of a Mid-Currituck Sound Bridge from Mainland Currituck County to the Northern Outer Banks.

Adopted this the 4th day of April 2000.

ATTEST:

Carmie Gordon
Town Clerk

Paul Sunderland
Mayor